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Andius o

tWebber



Join Date: Jan 2014

Location: Guatemala City, Guatemala

Faith: Christian Male Gender: Posts: 473 Amen (Given): 240 Amen (Received): 123

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Today, 01:16 AM

#2

DesertBerean •

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Join Date: Jan 2014
Location: Barstow, CA
Faith: Christian
Gender: Female
Posts: 5,099
Amen (Given): 4019

Amen (Received): 1451

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Today, 02:16 AM

#3

Darth Executor •

sink it

tWebber



Join Date: Jan 2014 Location: Kazakhstan Faith: Christian Gender: Male Posts: 4,358 Amen (Given): 591 Amen (Received): 1418

> If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ let him be accursed. AYYYYYYMEEEEEEEEN!

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Bill the Cat amen'd this post.

Today, 04:07 AM #4

Bisto o

tWebber



Join Date: Feb 2016 Location: Chile Faith: Christian Gender: Male Posts: 500 Amen (Given): 227 Amen (Received): 153

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We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore on Christ's behalf: 'Be reconciled to God!!'

- 2 Corinthians 5:20.

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#5

Today, 05:42 AM

Andius o

tWebber



Join Date: Jan 2014 Location: Guatemala City,

Guatemala

Faith: Christian Gender: Male Posts: 473 Amen (Given): 240 Amen (Received): 123 👥 Originally Posted by DesertBerean ந

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Anyone "charitable" enough to support the Women on Waves organization.

Originally Posted by Darth Executor p

sink it

Even if given the chance.... The "Mighty Guatemalan Armada" is practically... how do I put it.... basically this....

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Best weapon system: Foul language. (3)

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Today, 06:07 AM #6

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tWebber



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Faith: Christian
Gender: Male
Posts: 473
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Amen (Received): 123

👥 Originally Posted by Bisto 🔟

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Now THAT would have been a finer goal, considering that I also favor sex education proper, although considering they have no experience in here, I would prefer that they direct those funds with already existing organization pushing and giving proper sex education (What may work for developed nations, not necessarily a good idea outside of them, context is everything).

The problem though, even if they did that, there is a LOT of resistance from your average Guatemalan in accepting sex education from institutions, and even less so from schools. They insist on restricting it only at universities... genius... but something is better than nothing I suppose. But true true, it's a symptom that they seek to repress, not the heart of it (arguably in both it's justifiable and unjustifiable forms). Proper help for us "Third Worlders" heheheheheheh;) (Definately I imagine it).

EDIT: Huh, an update. It seems that they actually intend to carry out these operations within maritime boundaries,

and they claim they have paperwork to back up their legality as an NGO, and operate within the restrictions of Guatemalan law, which in a nutshell; abortion via pills are actually legal here, and 1st trimester abortions are legal. Protests have cropped up demanding the boat to beat it, and the government intends to simply NOT sanction any transport of people towards the WoW boat.

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Today, 06:27 AM

Darth Executor •

tWebber



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Location: Kazakhstan
Faith: Christian
Gender: Male
Posts: 4,358
Amen (Given): 591
Amen (Received): 1418

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Today, 06:38 AM #8

Andius • Originally Posted by Darth Executor

tWebber



Join Date: Jan 2014 Location: Guatemala City,

Guatemala

Faith: Christian
Gender: Male
Posts: 473
Amen (Given): 240
Amen (Received): 123

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Well Catholic and Protestant activists here at home are already at it (your average Guatemalan is conservative to a fault, heheheh, and hardly sympathetic towards abortions) . And yep, no compromise, and catchy slogan to go with it to: "iBARCO DE MUERTE FUERA!" ,"MURDER BOAT OUT!!".

http://elperiodico.com.gt/pais/2017/...teco-san-jose/

EDIT And it even looks like the government will have none of it either; Edgar Ramón (a State lawyer) has already petitioned to the Constitution Court (Not exactly the Supreme Court here, but it is the entity that regulates the interpretation of the Constitution) that the boat is breaching Guatemalan Law and proceed to drive it out of the territory. Coupled with the presidential orders to not transport anyone to the boat, and now this, yeah... it looks like the boat might get chased away the same way it got chased away on Moroccan shores in 2009.....

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Today, 10:32 AM

tWebber

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Join Date: Jan 2014

Location: The Kingdom of God

👥 Originally Posted by **Andius** 页

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Faith: Christian
Gender: Male
Posts: 6,738
Amen (Given): 879
Amen (Received): 1544

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I applaud this position. Are there churches running orphanages, homes for unwed mothers, or other efforts to deal with the horrible social issue you've described?

👥 Originally Posted by Andius 🔟

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I am not well informed about the medical conditions and risks of underage pregnancy. I suppose one must balance that with the mortality of unsafe abortions.

See, for example, this paragraph from a <u>WHO Fact Sheet</u> on <u>Adolescent Pregnancy</u>:

Pregnancy and childbirth complications are the second cause of death among 15 to 19 year olds globally. However, there have been significant drops in the number of deaths in all regions since 2000, most notably in South-East Asia where mortality rates fell from 21 to 9 per 100 000 girls. Some 3 million unsafe abortions among girls aged 15 to 19 take place each year, contributing to maternal deaths and to lasting health problems.

How many of these deaths were were due to allowing the pregnancy to take its natural course and how many were due to unsafe abortions? How does this compare with even younger girls?

The 2014 World Health Statistics indicate that the average global birth rate among 15 to 19 year olds is 49 per 1000 girls. Country rates range from 1 to 299 births per 1000 girls, with the highest rates in sub-Saharan Africa.

This description of the problem in Columbia sounds very similar to what you have described. They have recorded 6,389 births to 10-14 year-old mothers in 2013. There 19.5% of teenage girls had been pregnant at least once

and 36% of teenage pregnancies in Colombia end in (mostly illegal) abortions.



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I think we need boatloads of nuns to run orphanages and homes for unwed mothers and to teach a Christian ethic of sexuality

βλέπομεν γὰρ ἄρτι δι' ἐσόπτρου ἐν αἰνίγματι, τότε δὲ πρόσι ἄρτι γινώσκω ἐκ μέρους, τότε δὲ ἐπιγνώσομαι καθὼς καὶ ἐπ

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Today, 11:42 AM

#10

Meh Gerbil @

tWebber



Join Date: Jan 2014

Faith: circular balloonist

Gender: Male
Posts: 1,766
Amen (Given): 555
Amen (Received): 1025

The Unloved Boat.

I'm busy working myself into an early grave for my share of Kingdom Loot!

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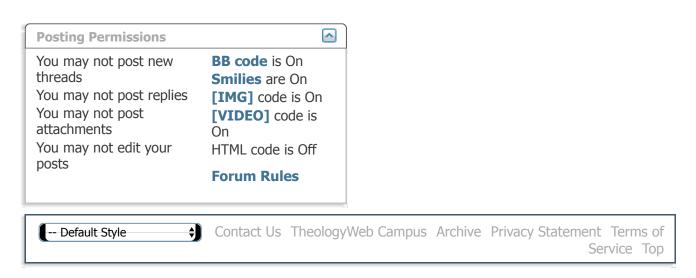
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